

**Listing/Amendments to the Claims**

1. **(Currently amended)** A method of protection against the copying of digital data stored on ~~an information carrier~~ a storage medium consisting of, said method comprising:

identifying whether said digital data are encrypted,

identifying whether said digital data are watermarked, and

delivering one of a permission ~~or~~ and a prohibition to copy and/or to play said digital data as a function of ~~the~~ an identification ~~or otherwise~~ of ~~at least~~:

- an encryption of said digital data; and
- a watermarking of said digital data.

2. **(Currently amended)** The method as claimed in claim 1, ~~wherein~~ further comprising :

identifying the type of the storage medium;

identifying whether a cryptographic signature accompanies said digital data;

and

delivering a permission for digital copying ~~is delivered~~ when:

- an encryption of said digital data has been identified;
- a watermarking of said digital data has been identified;
- a non-recordable type of ~~carrier~~ storage medium has been identified; and
- a cryptographic signature accompanying said digital data has been identified.

3. **(Currently amended)** The method as claimed in claim 1, ~~wherein~~ further comprising delivering a permission for digital copying ~~is delivered~~ when:

- an encryption of said digital data has not been identified; and
- a watermarking of said digital data has not been identified.

4. **(Currently amended)** The method as claimed in claim 1, ~~wherein~~ further comprising delivering a prohibition of playing of said digital data ~~is delivered~~ when:

- an encryption of said digital data has not been identified; and
- a watermarking of said digital data has been identified.

5. **(Currently amended)** The method as claimed in claim 1, ~~wherein~~ further comprising:

identifying the type of the storage medium; and

delivering a prohibition of copying is ~~delivered~~ when:

- an encryption of said digital data has been identified;
- a watermarking of said digital data has been identified; and
- a recordable type of ~~carrier~~ storage medium has been identified.

6. **(Currently amended)** The method as claimed in claim 1, ~~wherein~~ further comprising :

identifying the type of the storage medium;

identifying whether a cryptographic signature accompany said digital data; and

delivering a prohibition of copying is ~~delivered~~ when:

- an encryption of said digital data has been identified;
- a watermarking of said digital data has been identified;
- a non-recordable type of ~~carrier~~ storage medium has been identified; and
- no cryptographic signature accompanying said digital data has been

identified.

7. **(Currently amended)** The method as claimed in claim 1 ~~wherein~~ further comprising it comprises:

- ~~a conversion of~~ converting the digital data into analog signals; and
- ~~a corruption of~~ corrupting the analog signals if a prohibition of digital copying is delivered.

8. (Previously presented) The method of protection according to claim 5 wherein the prohibition of digital copying comprises a blocking of output of the digital data.

9. **(Currently amended)** A device for playing digital data stored on ~~an~~ information carrier a storage medium comprising at least:

a digital output for delivering signals representative of ~~the~~ said digital data upon playing said digital data;

an analog output for delivering analog signals representative of ~~the~~ said digital data upon playing said digital data;

means for detecting:

- ~~an encryption of whether~~ said digital data are encrypted;
- ~~a watermarking of whether~~ said digital data are watermarked;
- whether said storage medium is a recordable or non-recordable type ~~of said information carrier~~;
- whether said storage medium contains a cryptographic signature

accompanying said digital data;

a system for decrypting said digital data when an encryption is detected;

a system for protection against the copying of said digital data, said copy protection system being able to receive signals from said ~~detection~~ means for detecting and to generate a copy permission signal or a copy prohibition signal as a function of the signals received from said ~~detection~~ means for detecting;

recording control means blocking the signals delivered at the digital output when said recording control means receives a copy prohibition signal from the copy protection system;

a system for protection against playing, said playing protection system being able to receive signals from said ~~detection~~ means for detecting and to generate a playing prohibition signal when it has been detected by said means for detecting that an encryption of said digital data are not encrypted has not been detected and a

~~watermarking of that~~ said digital data are watermarked ~~has been detected by said~~  
~~detection means; and~~

playing control means being able to interrupt the playing of ~~the~~ said digital data  
or their output to the analog output when said playing control means receives a playing  
prohibition signal from the playing protection system.

10. **(Currently amended)** The method as claimed in claim 1, ~~wherein~~ further  
comprising :

identifying the type of the storage medium; and

delivering one of a permission ~~or~~ and a prohibition to copy and/or to play said  
digital data ~~is delivered~~ as a further function of the identification of a recordable or  
non-recordable type of said ~~information carrier~~ storage medium.

11. **(Currently amended)** The method as claimed in claim 10, ~~wherein~~ further  
comprising :

identifying whether a cryptographic signature accompanies said digital data;

and

delivering one of a permission ~~or~~ and a prohibition to copy and/or to play said  
digital data ~~is delivered~~ as a further function of the identification ~~or not~~ of a  
cryptographic signature accompanying said digital data.

12. **(Previously presented)** The method of protection according to claim 6,  
wherein the prohibition of digital copying comprises a blocking of output of the digital  
data.